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Hotel San Carlos.

Havana - Cuba

To the

Rt. Rev. Wm. Rollinson Whittingham D.D.

Orange - New Jersey.

My Dear Bishop:-

Now you may excuse me that I have written since my arrival here - My time is entirely occupied often times from very Early Morning until late at night - and even so I am able only to perform a part of my duty - and my correspondence is necessarily neglected - I am able now only to write a hurried note - for I have three friends lying sick in the city - and nearly forty

Nurse at the hospital - all of Yellow Fever - or Black Vomit. -

Yesterday I attended one funeral and stood by two death beds - and it was even worse than this during the first days of this week - I have engagements awaiting me in the country - which must remain for the present - I have been quite sick myself recently - but at present writing am very well. - a great blessing - and able to keep up all the time with work - It requires one to be earnest and persistent - Willful, very prompt - to make any impression in this country - I think a general impression has been made - and people are beginning to ask questions and

to understand in a measure - the position of the English Church in her purity - and the ~~Protestant~~ Catholic branches of the Church Catholic - as distinguished from the Protestantism of the Sects -

I was unable to see Mr. Hayman - before that day I left Baltimore - he was in the Country -

I had an interview with the Bishop of Hoboken - and he promised - and indeed shewed an anxiety - to Confer with you - about our work here - He owes $100 - to pay all our expenses to the 1st of October - I think We shall be able to meet this - at least I hope so - My Church Anxiety - Ever is about Next year - and I trust that your

letter to the other bishops composing the Cuban Committee
Wish ask each by them together to talk over this matter,
and to come decide whether the Church can prosecute
this Work or not. I feel that I must close my note
my absurdity - a Servant has just come to my study
calling me to the bedside of a dying man -
With my best love - Remain -
Yours Faithfully & Affectionately in Xt -

July 11/76

Edward K Gillespie

P.S. My address is: Care of the Consul Genl. U.S.A.
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